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Buttons

for Play School children

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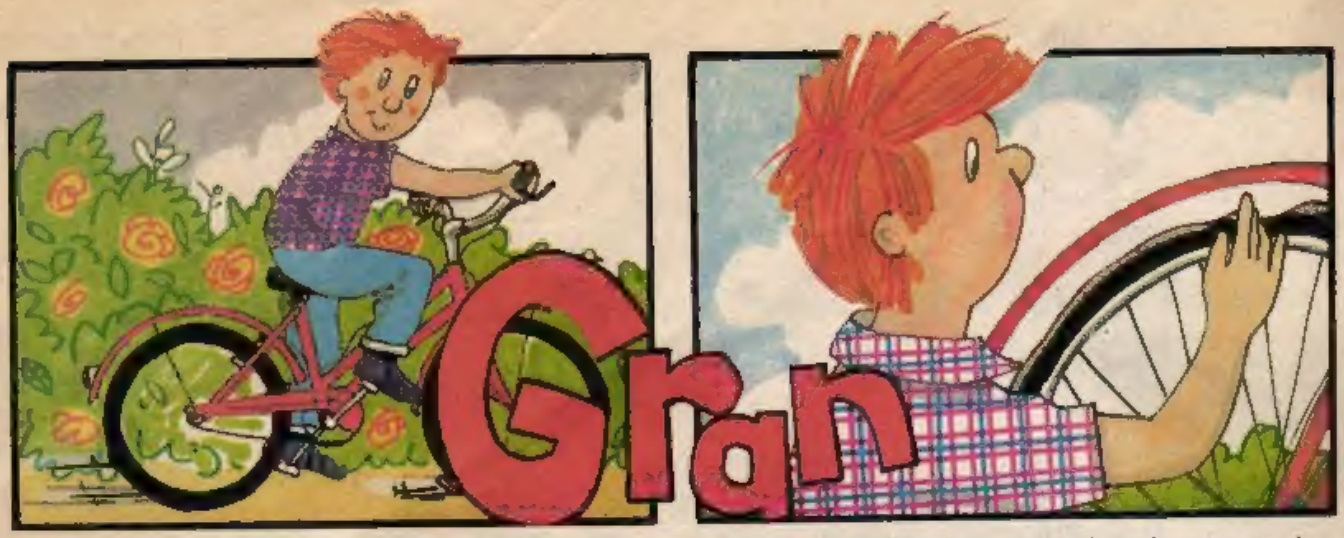
Pat tries to help out!

Plus:

Play School

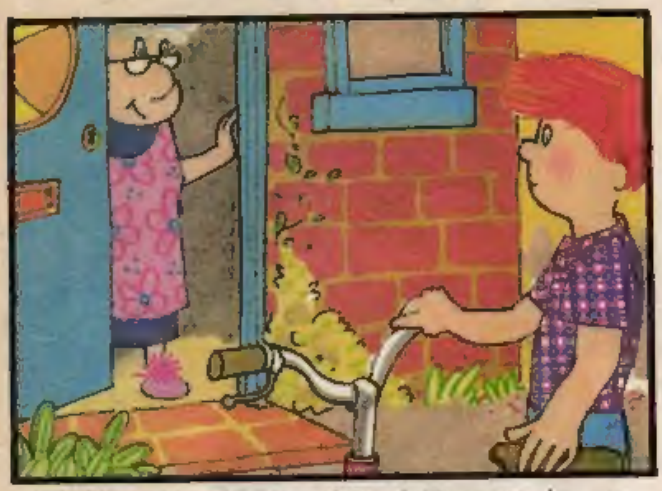
Pigeon Street

Based on BBC tv with Viewing Times for the Very Young



1 Jim was cycling along to Gran's, when he suddenly heard a hissing noise coming from one of the tyres. Then the tyre went flat.

2 Jim got off his bike to look at the tyre and saw that he had a puncture. He had to push his bike the rest of the way.



3 He arrived hot and tired. "I wanted to go for a ride this afternoon," he said. "But I haven't my puncture repair kit here."

4 "I have something better than a puncture repair kit," said Gran. "Wait a minute." "What does she mean?" thought Jim.

5 Then Gran wheeled out a tandem bicycle from her garden shed. "My friend lent this to me," she said. "She's away for a week."

6 "Hop on the back. We'll go into town and pick up a puncture kit. Then we'll go for a ride on our bicycle made for two!"

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For Grown-ups

Buttons and holiday-time for pets

Whenever there are pets in the family, summer holidays can be a very distressing time for them if the family is going away from home.

Dogs and cats or small animals like gerbils or guinea-pigs may be able to travel with you if you are going somewhere which is also suitable for their comfort. But do make sure animals are comfortable when travelling and do not give dogs a large meal before setting off.

Ideally, the animal can remain in its home environment with a 'guardian', someone it knows. Leave clear instructions about your pets requirements and try to find a 'guardian' who is prepared to spend some time with the pet each day, rather than just 'look in' on it.

If you intend to leave your pet in a boarding home, remember to book early and do inspect the home yourself before leaving your animal there. A list of registered, licensed homes should be available at municipal offices and public libraries. To make your pet as comfortable as possible in strange surroundings, list its diet and meal times and take along its own basket and food dishes. Also, leave an address and phone number where you may be reached in the event of an emergency.

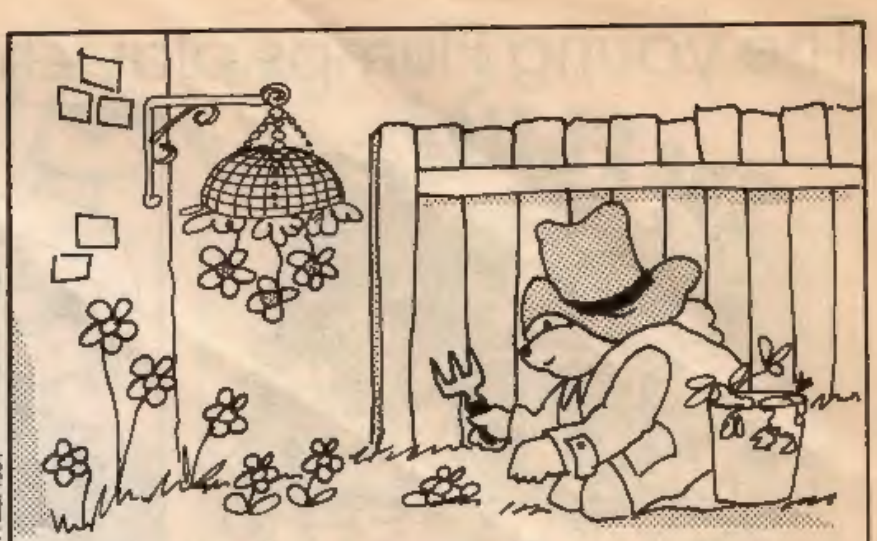
A most useful handbook '*The Good Kennel and Cattery Guide*' by Monica Hart (Collins £3.95), is full of information including choosing boarding homes, leaving pets with friends and travelling with pets.

Keep in touch

The Editor

If your letter is printed, you will be sent a £3 book token.

Can you find 'Happy Button' hidden on one of the pages?



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Something in this drawing of Paddington in the garden is wrong. Can you spot it?

Dear Buttons,
In the holidays I delivered my old comics to children in my street and my friend helped me. Here is a picture of Henry's Cat and his friends.

From, Gary (Derby).

Dear Boys and Girls,
Please send your letters to:
Button Hole,
PO Box 91,
London NW1 7LZ

Dear Buttons,
I am 5 years old. I get 'Buttons' every week. I like Postman Pat and also Henry's Cat. Last week I got my school photographs and I am sending one to you.

Love from Anne (Avon).

Button Hole

Postman Pat

1 When Pat went into Mrs Goggin's Post Office, one morning, it was full of boxes. "It's my stock for the shop," Mrs Goggins said. "It came this morning."

2 "Can you help me sort it out?" "Certainly," said Pat. He opened the boxes while Mrs Goggins checked them off on her list.

3 "Tomato soup," said Pat. "Lots of tins of it. And mushroom." "What's in the next box?" said Mrs Goggins. Pat opened it up.

4 "Crab meat," he said, reading the label. "I don't fancy that." "Miss Hubbard likes it for her lunch," said Mrs Goggins.

5 Pat opened another box. "Baked beans," he said, holding up a tin. "I like those on toast. I hope you have plenty of them."

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6 Soon all the boxes were open. "Can you help me put the tins away?" asked Mrs Goggins. "Of course," said Pat.

7 He took out the tins of tomato soup. "I'll make a display of them," he said. Pat piled the tins on top of each other.

8 "I could put the mushroom soup on top," he said. The pile of tins grew higher and higher. "And the beans on top of that."

9 Pat had to stand on a chair to reach. When he had finished, he stood back to admire it. "Very nice," said Mrs Goggins.

10 Just then, Ted Glen opened the door. CRASH! It hit the mountain of tins. They tumbled over the floor. "Cor!" said Ted.

11 He helped Pat pick up all the tins and put them on a shelf. "They're safe there," said Mrs Goggins. "They won't get knocked."

Let's go swimming, Cosmo.

you and me

Where do we go?

Crissie and Terry have come to a swimming pool with their mum and dad. Crissie's dad is teaching her to swim. Can you see them in the pool?

What is Crissie wearing around her body? Do you know why she is wearing it?

Mum helps Terry to float. He kicks his legs and makes a big splash.

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Can you see someone whose job it is to look after people in the pool?

What are the boy and girl in the deep pool doing?

Can you think of somewhere else where people go to swim?

Is the boy diving into the pool feet first or head first?

Do you ever go swimming?

Watch 'You and Me' Monday 10.00 am BBC 2

Pigeon Street

1 Mr Baskerville has often wondered what sort of fish live in the lake at the park. He has tried to catch some to look at, but has had no luck.

4 Then Reg gets a sheet of glass and puts it over the hole and seals it. "Why are you doing that?" asks Mr Baskerville. "You'll see," says Reg.

5 Then Mr Baskerville realizes what Reg is up to. They carry the boat to the lake and climb in. Reg paddles the boat out into the deep water.

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2 Reg has an idea to help him. "Give me a hand lifting this paddle-boat out of the water," he says to Mr Baskerville. "Why?" says Mr Baskerville.

3 "You'll see in a moment," says Reg. Then he gets his saw and starts to cut a hole in the bottom of the boat. Mr Baskerville wonders why he is doing t

6 "Now we can see all the fish we want to," says Reg. "And we don't have to catch them first. It's a much kinder way to see them. Look down there!"

7 Mr Baskerville looks down through the glass at the fish and they all come to look up through the glass at him. "What lovely fish," he says.